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cause shown order any proceedings severed with respect to any or all parties or issues.

## Subpart C—Prehearing Procedures

## §22.13 Issuance of complaint.

If the complainant has reason to believe that a person has violated any provision of the Act, or regulations promulgated or a permit issued under the Act, he may institute a proceeding for the assessment of a civil penalty by issuing a complaint under the Act and these rules of practice. If the complainant has reason to believe that

(a) A permittee violated any term or

condition of the permit, or

(b) A permittee misrepresented or inaccurately described any material fact in the permit application or failed to disclose all relevant facts in the permit application, or

(c) Other good cause exists for such action, he may institute a proceeding for the revocation or suspension of a permit by issuing a complaint under the Act and these rules of practice. A complaint may be for the suspension or revocation of a permit in addition to the assessment of a civil penalty.

## §22.14 Content and amendment of the complaint.

- (a) Complaint for the assessment of a civil penalty. Each complaint for the assessment of a civil penalty shall include:
- (1) A statement reciting the section(s) of the Act authorizing the issuance of the complaint;
- (2) Specific reference to each provision of the Act and implementing regulations which respondent is alleged to have violated;
- (3) A concise statement of the factual basis for alleging the violation;
- (4) The amount of the civil penalty which is proposed to be assessed;
- (5) A statement explaining the reasoning behind the proposed penalty;
- (6) Notice of respondent's right to request a hearing on any material fact contained in the complaint, or on the appropriateness of the amount of the proposed penalty.

A copy of these rules of practice shall accompany each complaint served.

- (b) Complaint for the revocation or suspension of a permit. Each complaint for the revocation or suspension of a permit shall include:
- (1) A statement reciting the section(s) of the Act, regulations, and/or permit authorizing the issuance of the complaint;
- (2) Specific reference to each term or condition of the permit which the respondent is alleged to have violated, to each alleged inaccuracy or misrepresentation in respondent's permit application, to each fact which the respondent allegedly failed to disclose in his permit application, or to other reasons which form the basis for the complaint;

(3) A concise statement of the factual basis for such allegations;

- (4) A request for an order to either revoke or suspend the permit and a statement of the terms and conditions of any proposed partial suspension or revocation;
- (5) A statement indicating the basis for recommending the revocation, rather than the suspension, of the permit, or vice versa, as the case may be;
- (6) Notice of the respondent's right to request a hearing on any material fact contained in the complaint, or on the appropriateness of the proposed revocation or suspension.

A copy of these rules of practice shall accompany each complaint served.

- (c) Derivation of proposed civil penalty. The dollar amount of the proposed civil penalty shall be determined in accordance with any criteria set forth in the Act relating to the proper amount of a civil penalty and with any civil penalty guidelines issued under the Act.
- (d) Amendment of the complaint. The complainant may amend the complaint once as a matter of right at any time before the answer is filed. Otherwise the complainant may amend the complaint only upon motion granted by the Presiding Officer or Regional Administrator, as appropriate. Respondent shall have twenty (20) additional days from the date of service of the amended complaint to file his answer.
- (e) Withdrawal of the complaint. The complainant may withdraw the complaint, or any part thereof, without prejudice one time before the answer has been filed. After one withdrawal before the filing of an answer, or after